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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended)   A computer-readable medium encoded with a data structure formatted according to extensible markup language (XML) including data representative of a canonical UI description of a device to be controlled for use by a universal console, said universal console operable to receive at least one user preference for rendering said UI description, wherein said UI description comprises:

(1) action-commands to which said device responds, and

(2) descriptors for ~~display~~ rendering a user interface on said universal console, said descriptors providing [[a]] at least one prompt for a user to select at least one of said action-commands, wherein said at least one prompt is selected in accordance with said at least one user preference.

2. (Previously presented)   The computer-readable medium encoded with the data structure according to claim 1, wherein said canonical UI description includes a representation associated with a parameter for choosing one element a from a set A.

3. (Previously presented)   The computer-readable medium encoded with the data structure according to claim 2, wherein said canonical UI description includes a representation associated with a parameter for selecting a subset A' from a set A.

4. (Previously presented)   The computer-readable medium encoded with the data structure according to claim 1, wherein said canonical UI description includes a representation associated with a parameter for selecting one from the group of True/False, Off/On, OK/Cancel and Yes/No.

5. (Previously presented)   The computer-readable medium encoded with the data structure according to claim 1, wherein said canonical UI description includes a representation associated with a parameter for selecting an integer n in the range n_1 through n_2, with increment δ.